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Vermont's Enterprise GIS Initiative

Business Plan – FY 2016

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Overview

Abstract: This Business Plan outlines specific goals and work items to be pursued by the Vermont Enterprise GIS Consortium (EGC) in FY 2016 (July 2015 to July 2016).

Background: The EGC is voluntary consortium of State government organizations focused on the effective and efficient management of Vermont's Enterprise Geographic Information System.

The EGC supports the ongoing implementation and management of the State's Enterprise Geographic Information System (GIS). This support is guided by the vision and goals articulated in the State of Vermont's Enterprise GIS Strategic Plan. The Plan aims to establish a dynamic Enterprise GIS framework within state government which:

- Promotes and leverages efficient use of the state's Geographic Information Technology (GIT) resources;
- Recognizes opportunity through coordination and resource sharing;
- Promotes quality and consistency through standardization;
- Addresses data access needs;
- Enhances the effectiveness of GIS services and solutions; and
- Improves decision making throughout state government.

Objective and Scope

Objective: Further the vision and goals articulated in Vermont's Enterprise GIS Strategic Plan.

Scope: This 12 month Business Plan addresses a subset of items defined in Vermont's Enterprise GIS Strategic Plan.

Work Items and Deliverables

The section outlines specific work items that will be addressed by the EGC in FY 2016. It also identifies the strategic objective(s) addressed by the work item (as defined in Vermont's Enterprise GIS Strategic Plan).

Work Item	Objective¹
1) Determine future direction of Vermont's GIS: Work with ACCD/VCGI to evaluate the current structure of GIS in state government and provide recommendations on how GIS use and deployment could be fully optimized in the future. Use this as a basis for updating Vermont's Enterprise GIS Strategic Plan and the EGC's Charter.	Objective 1 Objective 2 Objective 3
2) New VT Open GeoData Portal: EGC Open Data Workgroup and state agencies will work with VCGI to complete the build and migration to a new VT's Open GeoData Portal (GIS Data Warehouse).	Objective 8 Objective 9 Objective 10

¹ Refer to Vermont's Enterprise GIS Strategic Plan (2008A) for details.

	Objective 12
3) GIS Career Ladder and Job Specifications: Ensure the adoption and use of the EGC endorsed GIS career ladder and job specifications presented to the State's HR IT committee in FY'15.	Objective 15
4) Maintain and enhance the EGC's SharePoint website (GeoPoint GIS Portal).	All Objectives by enhancing communication and information sharing
5) Review EGC's Web Services Strategy. Update and revise as needed.	Objective 4
6) Improve awareness of EGC efforts through enhanced marketing and outreach. a) Reach out to State CIO and CMO. b) Submit annual report to DII newsletter, State CIO and CMO. c) Target specific stakeholders within state government such as management, GIS professionals, and IT staff. d) Work with State CMO to develop a marketing and outreach strategy.	Objective 5, 6, and 7
7) ESRI Enterprise License Agreement (ELA). Work with ESRI/BGS and EGC partners to explore the pros/cons (cost/benefit) of an ESRI ELA.	Objective 4 and 13
8) Support ongoing EGC Workgroups, including the Geocortex, LiDAR, Open Data, Parcel, and Emergency Management.	Supports objectives identified by Workgroup
9) Statewide Parcel Data Initiative: EGC Parcel Data Workgroup and state agencies will work with VCGI to work toward the establishment of a statewide parcel data program.	Objective 4, 6, 7, and 9
10) Draft a FY 2017 Business Plan.	Objective 2 Objective 3

Assumptions

1. EGC participants are willing to attend meetings and contribute toward completing the work items and deliverables identified in this Business Plan.
2. Support from the Agency of Administration (AOA) and the Office of the Chief Information Officer (CIO).
3. ACCD will continue to support VCGI's ability to facilitate the EGC's activities.

Risks

Risks are characteristics, circumstances, or features of the EGC's working environment that may have an adverse effect on this Business Plan or the quality of its deliverables. Known risks are included below.

Risk Area	Level (H/M/L)	Risk Plan
Lack of support and resources for the implementation of this Business Plan	M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leverage existing resources. • Clear and effective communication strategy.

EGC members do not participate or contribute sufficiently to help get things done	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Encourage participation.• Make participation “easy”.• Ask EGC members to help with specific work items.
The potential reorganization of the State's GIS governance structure results in a lack of support for the EGC	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Educate “leadership” regarding the EGC's role and the need for ongoing support of it or something similar.

Organizational Roles

Members of the EGC will have a role to play in the implementation of this business plan. EGC members will be asked to attend all regularly scheduled EGC meetings and contribute (in whatever fashion they can) toward completion of the work items and deliverables outlined in the FY 2016 Business Plan.